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Miscellaneous Rationing Information

1. Bulgaria has the following administrative subdivisions:
 - a. Okrugs (provinces), approximately 10;
 - b. Okolias (districts);
 - c. Obshtinas (communities); and
 - d. Selsuvs (selishte suvet; village councils).
2. The Ministry of Domestic Commerce, which has its headquarters in Sofia and is in charge of administering food and clothing, has the following subdivisions:
 - a. Okrug centers, located in most of the principal cities, which supervise the distribution and sale of rationed articles; and
 - b. Okoliya centers, located in the less important cities, which have the same duties as the okrug centers but on a more limited scale.
3. Rationed articles are distributed in the various localities by the following units:
 - a. Gradska turgoviyas (city commercial depots), subordinate to the obshtina;
 - b. Narmags (narodni magazini; people's depots), subordinate to the State; and
 - c. Narkoops (narodna kooperativa; people's cooperative), autonomous.

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4. At present the food situation is good. There is plenty of cheese and flour and sufficient quantities of rice, although sugar is scarce. Meat can be bought at a good price on Saturday and Sunday but on other days it is higher.

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